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## Comment on Passing Events.

By Frederic Heath

The Philadelphia Record prostitute journalism when it gives space to such lying stuff about Milwaukee as appeared in its issue of Feb. 13.

"A man or woman who reads poetry will finally attempt to write it," says a writer in the American Magazine.

And send the attempts to the editor—ye gods!

No painted tea will be imported into this country after May 1. All the tea on the market today is colored with chemicals, even the green tea, which is naturally green, but not green enough to suit the trade tricksters.

A citizen of the United States has just been sent to life imprisonment for the theft of a turkey. The man's name is Caswell McCauley, of Georgetown, Ky., and the judge who imposed the life imprisonment, worse than a death penalty if it is carried out, is not recorded in the despatches.

One hundred workmen are killed every day in the United States according to latest estimates. There's human blood, and human agony in the cement with which modern society is building. It cannot be otherwise while the dollar is more sacred than the life of the hired employee.

A grand jury in Camden, N. J., is investigating into an alleged "big left dance" held under the auspices of the Second Ward Republican club of that city. Somebody ought to carry the news to Archbishop Glennon, who has been trying to show that the Socialists have a monopoly on all that is immoral and subversive of family purity.

A magazine writer wonders why the express companies declare enormous dividends while the United States postal system runs at a loss. The answer is not far to seek. It is because this government is run by "business men" who keep it from interfering with the private business grafts. Business administrations are always demanded by the newspapers of the interests round campaign time.

Many false reports have gone out about the Socialist administration in Milwaukee providing workmen's homes, and yet while the thing has not yet been actually accomplished it is well on the way. In connection with the vast river park that the administration has provided for, a law is asked of the state legislature that will permit the city to plat certain portions secured for that purpose and sell or lease them to the people for model homes. The possibilities are endless. The city could in time be circled with a suburban living zone that would enable workmen to possess homes surrounded with gardens and trees and unpolluted air, midst which to rear his little family and live in health and comfort. The question of rapid transit cuts a figure, and this problem, too, is being grappled with.

Since the Warren case has been terminated by governmental intervention numerous other judicial crimes against Socialists are being brought into the light. An Oklahoma correspondent calls my attention to the case of Charles W. Norton, who stated the Oklahoma Socialist in January, 1910, and whose attacks on social and political corruption in Jefferson county of that state involved him in court proceedings in the district and federal courts that at the end of a year left him penniless, with a fine of \$100 or jail hanging over his head and high lawyers' bills unmet. His family are in need and the Oklahoma Socialists are trying to secure assistance for them. A dollar sent to J. W. A. Cope, Sulphur, that state, in their behalf, will be much appreciated. I haven't the particulars, but it is reasonable to suppose that Norton's case was decided by a jury of political opponents and an old party politician clothed in the judicial ermine.

J. Ramsey MacDonald has been made chairman of the British Labor party in parliament, to take the place

## One Paper "Retracts!"

Current Events, a newspaper circulated widely among school children, has backed down and tried to make amends. Several people who wrote to the editor demanding to know why it published a Milwaukee capitalist alderman's lie under the sneering head of "Socialism in Practice" received the appended clipping from Current Events of the 17th inst.:

The city controller of Milwaukee publishes an explanation of the higher expenses of that city under the Socialist city government.

The reason, he says, lies in the fact that the city is doing many thousands of dollars' worth of work on its own account instead of the work being let out to contractors.

This was not stated in Alderman Bogk's report, which was recently telegraphed by the Associated Press, and a summary of which was published in Current Events under the head of "Socialism in Practice." That item

of George Barnes who was incapacitated for such service by illness. At a conference of the Labor party of Great Britain at London on the 1st, a resolution denouncing militarism and war, declaring for arbitration of all international disputes and urging the workers of Great Britain to take organized action with their co-workers in Germany and other lands to attain these ends was carried unanimously; but a resolution offered by Keir Hardie providing for the summoning of an international labor congress if war between England and Germany threatened, in which even the workers would pledge themselves to suspend all productive work on the day war was declared and not resume until the war ended, was defeated by a majority of only six votes.

That the Social-Democratic administration in Milwaukee is making good is proven by the tactics of the corporations, that are afraid they will lose their grafts. It has worried them that Milwaukee could go into Socialist hands and still maintain its financial credit throughout the country. To impair this standing, an Ald. Bogk, a hold-over from the gang days in the council signed his name to a vicious onslaught, made up of the most seditious lies and distortions, which was sent out to every newspaper in the United States; it being calculated, not without reason, that newspaper readers at a distance from Milwaukee would not know Bogk's character in business life, and would take the stuff for its face value. Meantime the Milwaukee Socialists move along in the even tenor of their way, giving Milwaukee the first strictly honest administration it has ever had and striving in every way to make the city a safe and a beautiful place to live in. And the people are mightily pleased.

The Rev. Dr. Jewett, of Birmingham, England, has been offered a stupendous salary to come to New York to occupy the pastorate of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church—almost a king's ransom in amount, as befits the prestige of the big bugs who sit in the pews. But the reverend doctor has pleased the public and startled the big bugs aforesaid by declining to accept unless the salary offer is cut down to an amount in American money that corresponds with the salary he now gets in Birmingham.

Think of a successful preacher being jarred by a money call! Marvelous as Sherlock Holmes' friend, Dr. Watson, would say. I can well imagine that Dr. Jewett's reply caused frowns on the brows of some of the plutocratic pew holders. There is usually a large fund of vanity about their religion, and the idea of having people think they are spiritually guided by a "cheap man" is rather disquieting to them.

For a large fraction of the people of London there is a perpetual famine, men, women and little children writhing from day to day in the pangs of hunger. Their state is the despair of "statesmen" and excites the pity of the civilized world. Yet in the very face of this crying want England is preparing to spend millions of dollars on the coronation festivities with which a mere one man, set up through no particular merit of his own to "rule," will be formally installed in his life job. It is monstrous, ghastly, scandalous. Even a special carpet is being woven at great expense for his "majesty's" feet to walk on in the aisles of Westminster Abbey, and so many and so costly are all the other wrinkles in connection with the affair that the work of preparation has been on since last fall, although the coronation will not be pulled off until next June. The clergy will play a conspicuous part in the coronation, also. Instead of expecting that a just God would strike them down for taking part and sanctifying this orgy of waste in the face of cruellest famine, the clergy are eager for the performance to begin—which suggests certain thoughts relative to the sincerity of their piety and the degeneracy of modern churchmanship.

"One of the most pernicious features," repeated the alderman's figures about increased expenses, and did not go into the reasons for them.

Of course, increased expenses for a city are not necessarily a bad thing; they may be the truest economy.

We must say, however, that the retraction, as above, is not a very honorable one, being more of a crawl-out than anything else. For it seeks to still convey the impression that the cost of government has increased under the Socialists in Milwaukee.

It does this by taking advantage of the fact that certain public work in Milwaukee is now done by direct employment of labor instead of employment of just as much labor through a contractor. In the present case the labor is paid from the city payroll and increases the length of the payroll. In the other case just as much money, and more, is paid out, only the contractors get the money and do the paying off of the men.

Current Events lacks the fairness to make this clear to its readers.

tures of California law is the requirement for a property qualification for jury service. This is a survival of the old European ideal that a nobleman's word or his judgment was worth more than that of a man that was just a man. Men came to be "noblemen" because they, or some ancestor, had been successful in war. No question as to the justice of the combat. Men got on the tax roll by getting hold of some property. Little question of the means used in getting hold.

So writes Agnes H. Downing, in the People's Paper, of Los Angeles. In Milwaukee the same effort to secure class administration of law is seen in the provision of the law which requires men appointed on the jury

Madison, Wis.: The legislature this week is only tentatively in session. Nothing but routine work is being attended to. Indefinite leave of absence was granted to all the members until Monday. Consequently only a handful of the law makers are present. It is their task to hold a session each day and assign bills to their proper committees. In the meantime the printer and clerks are catching up with their work and putting things in order so that next week everything will be in readiness for business.

Both the senate and assembly decided in favor of holding the Panama exposition of 1915 in San Francisco. Each state was requested by congress to express its choice between New Orleans and San Francisco. Our comrades voted in favor of the latter city as the labor conditions there are far superior to those in New Orleans, where labor has practically no hold whatever. There is no doubt where our representatives will stand when it is a question between a section of the country where organized labor is strong and decent living conditions prevail, and a section where organized labor is being antagonized and starvation wages are the maximum wages.

Much is being said these days pro and con in regard to the constitution, and it would be surprising if it should not penetrate into the deliberations of the legislature. Formerly it was the tone lot of the Socialist to point out that the constitution was an obstacle to social progress, and was framed in the interest of the property classes. Now others are beginning to realize what we have foreseen long ago. The farmers, for instance, are beginning to appreciate the unwieldiness and antiquity of the constitution, and that it invariably works against their interest. If they want an income tax or a state appropriation for the improvement of highways it takes about six years of tedious and expensive work to amend the constitution so that the state can be free to do anything.

At present the farmers want state aid to settlers, and state aid in co-operative marketing and buying. In order that the state may aid the farm-

commission (the commission that secures men for jury service) to be owners of real estate. Distrust of the people and class discrimination, seems to run through the laws made by capitalist representatives like spite through a divorce trial.

A critic of the Herald, writing from Madison (and bravely withholding his name) chides the Herald for not printing the stuff against Socialism uttered by one David Goldstein, of Boston, in two recent lectures in Milwaukee, in fact, he (I infer that this correspondent is a he) dares us to print them, and says we are afraid "because they are true." This is truly amusing. We have printed a good many criticisms of Socialism at one

time and another, but we should have to rule Goldstein out because his attacks are not honest ones, nor genuine ones, nor decent ones. A chap who will stand up before an audience and deliberately misquote some book written by an author who is a Socialist, even chopping sentences off in the middle in order to convey a false impression, is entitled to no consideration whatever. The cause of human emancipation is much too important to stop to consider the impotent gabble of every little wriggler who tries to stand in its path, and who has sold himself to the capitalist political interests. However, we will give a little past history next week which the above old party politician who wrote us may find interesting.

law of the land," and later in his acceptance speech when he said, "Constitutions will be amended" to meet the new economic and social needs of the people, he was actually as irreverent as our great German comrade, only he was a little subtler, being more of a politician. What difference does it make whether you tear up the constitution and trample it under your feet, or so amend it as to disfigure it beyond recognition? Surely if "the will of the people shall be the law of the land" a document containing the will of the people of past generations may be of considerable historical interest, but will hardly be revered and worshipped by modern people, when even it stands in the way of their economic needs. Only idiots and the capitalists will throw up their hands in holy horror and feel shocked at the proposition to so amend the constitution that when the people want a law they can have it in whole, and not marred in order to fulfill antique constitutional requirements. No sane person will say that the people do not want perfect laws. They are content with imperfect laws now because it is too difficult to amend the state constitution, and practically impossible to amend the United States constitution. Once the constitution is made easily amendable the people will no longer hesitate to change it whenever it will be necessary to enact laws which are essential to their welfare and to meet modern economic needs.

So we find, once more that the Socialists with their clear insight and deep foresight have preceded the rest of the country by at least a generation. Again we are the vanguard of the new civilization, and again history must credit us as being the heralds of a truth which others did not appreciate and recognize years after we promulgated it. It may not be our lot to so alter the constitution as to do away with all these absurdities and interferences with the free and unhampered action of the people whenever they desire to do something for themselves, but we at least have done our duty in being the originators of a movement which cannot but result in benefit to mankind. As I've said in my speech before the Republican platform convention said, "The will of the people shall be the

## When? Now!

WHEN are the Social Democrats going to start a daily paper in Milwaukee? And what right yourself, by subscribing to as many bonds as possible on the blank below. The Socialist movement hangers for a daily press, and it is your duty to help to satisfy that need. The size of the battles we now have to fight in Milwaukee and the state, demands that you help to establish that Socialist daily. The Social-Democratic Publishing Company, realizing that the time is at hand for its launching, passed at its last meeting of stockholders, the following resolution:

Whereas, There is a steady and persistent demand for the establishment and publishing a Social-Democratic daily newspaper in Milwaukee, and

Whereas, It seems to the best interests of the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company, that it should establish, own and publish such daily newspaper; therefore be it

Resolved, By the stockholders of the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company, that the board of directors of said Publishing Company be and are hereby empowered, authorized and directed to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver a chattel mortgage or trust deed to the Citizens Trust Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as Trustee, for the purpose of borrowing One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) dollars, said mortgage to convey all of the property goods, printing presses, office fixtures, machinery, fixtures, rights and all other property belonging to said Publishing Company, and acquire or to be acquired, with all appurtenances and all rights and privileges pertaining thereto, now held and owned and hereafter to be acquired, to secure an issue of bonds in the aggregate sum of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) dollars, said bonds to be issued in denominations of Ten (\$10) dollars each; and be it further

Resolved, That the proceeds of the bonds so to be issued and sold shall be used: First, to pay and redeem the principal of the bonds aggregating the sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000) dollars, now outstanding and unpaid; Second, to pay for the four-deck Goss Perfecting Press already

ordered; Third, to provide and pay for the necessary Linotypes, type and all other equipment and expenses necessary to the establishment of the above mentioned daily; Fifth, to purchase and pay for a new cylinder press; a new folding machine; and a new cutting machine for the Job Department; and Sixth, to enlarge and properly equip the Book Department, and be it further

Resolved, That said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of four (4) per cent. per annum, commencing December 31, 1911, payable semi-annually, and that the principal of the said issue of bonds shall be payable as follows: Twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars December 1st, 1926, twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars December 1st, 1927, twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars December 1st, 1928, twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars December 1st, 1929, and twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars December 1st, 1930; however, reserving to the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company the right and privilege to pay and redeem the principal sum of any or all of said bonds at any interest paying date after the expiration of two (2) years from the

date of issue of said bonds, and be it further

Resolved, That the sale of said bonds shall be started immediately, and that, pending the issuance of said bonds, receipts for all money received for bonds shall be sent to the purchasers of said bonds, which said receipts shall be fully redeemable for the said bonds when issued.

Comrades, the hour has struck. It is the first crowing of the cock. Unfurl your energies and drop into line for the most momentous task in the history of our cause in this city and state. It is a preparation for a big battle. It is the supreme moment.

If we have that daily the battle is half won. We count upon you. Without you there will be no daily. Every Socialist is a prop. Every hand is a helping hand. Every lift makes the lifting easier. Buy the bond now. A shoulder to the wheel this moment is worth more than two shoulders at another time.

It is up to you now, to show that you want and wanted the working class to have an up-to-date weapon in Milwaukee and state, by subscribing for as many bonds as is possible for you on the blank below:

### SUBSCRIPTION FOR BONDS

Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company  
\$100,000 in Denominations of \$10.00 Each

I, the undersigned, do hereby agree to and with the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Publishing Company and with each and all other subscribers, to subscribe and pay for the amount of bonds about to be issued by said Company to the Citizens Trust Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as trustee, a total of said bonds in the sum of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars; said bonds to be issued in denominations of ten (\$10.00) dollars, interest at the rate of four (4) per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually; said bonds to be consecutively numbered and to be paid as follows: One-fifth, sixteen years; one-fifth, seventeen years; one-fifth, eighteen years; one-fifth, nineteen years; and one-fifth twenty years from date of issue of bonds. Said bonds to be issued and to bear interest from Dec. 1, 1911, and to be secured by a first mortgage on the goods, property and chattels of said company, which are to be particularly described in the mortgage when executed.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this..... day of..... A. D. 1911.

Number of Bonds..... Name..... (Seal)

Amount of Bonds..... Address.....

Enclosed find remittance of.....

## Wearing Baby Clothes



ARISTOTLE, the great Greek philosopher, in his famous work on politics, described the constitutions of all the different states known to him. And he said that the state existed longest and prospered most which was readiest to change its constitution and adapt it to changed conditions.

This rule holds good today. It holds good for the United States, and for the State of Wisconsin.

Our last constitution was adopted in 1848. At that time Wisconsin was virtually a frontier state. The greatest part of it was covered with one vast primeval forest. The largest city, Milwaukee, had about 30,000 inhabitants. There were only a few towns which had a population of from two to five thousand.

Manufacturing in the United States was then in its childhood, and there was hardly any manufacturing done in a border state like Wisconsin. Corporations in the present sense were not known.

In those days a corporation meant a city or a township. There were no railroads, no telegraphs, no telephones, and, of course, no street cars. Public schools were few and far between. A man who could read and "reckon" was looked up to as a wizard in very many country places.

Capitalism in its present form and development was not even dreamt of.

The constitution adopted at that time, of course, was made to suit those conditions. It was made to express the needs of a frontier state. It reflected the political, social and economic conditions of the day.

What a great difference between the Wisconsin of 1911 and the Wisconsin of the Black Hawk war! Today Wisconsin is the seventh state in the Union as far as manufacturing is concerned. The total output of manufactured products was \$412,647,051 in 1910.

In 1848 we had no proletariat in the present sense. Entirely new classes have come into existence since that time. In 1848 any man with a strong pair of arms and moderately good habits could not only make his living comfortably, but also lay the foundation for a prosperous second generation by simply sticking to the land. Today we have not only an economically powerful class of capitalists, but also a very numerous proletariat which to all ends and purposes has become a fixed class.

We have tremendous aggregations of capital, big railroad companies, public service corporations, and greedy and grasping corporations of all kinds. Their oppressive power is felt by the last pioneer farmer in the northern part of the state.

In 1848 the only evil influence which the people seemed to fear was the issuing of wild-cat money by the banks. And the people took especial pains to provide against this in their constitution. Today there is no wild-cat money. The bank money is good enough, if we can get hold of it. But the banks themselves have become simply the handmaids of the big corporations and trusts.

The economic conditions have changed absolutely.

Now, if we were influenced only by party motives, we should simply say, "Keep your old constitution. Under the present constitution our legislature cannot make good laws. All good laws, such as are made to fit changed conditions, are necessarily unconstitutional. And if no laws are made to alleviate the hardships of the people, the people will, of necessity become revolutionary and Social-Democratic."

So, from a Socialistic party standpoint, the present constitution would be just the very thing we should want.

But this is not the way we reason. We have so much confidence in the righteousness of our cause and the inevitableness of Socialism, that we know that even the strongest constitution cannot stop our progress in the end. On the other hand, a good and timely constitution will do away with a great deal of avoidable friction. It will make sane and constructive progress possible.

I will just mention a few details of our constitution as they happen to come to my mind.

One important point is the way the corporations are treated. In our constitution, only the cities are mentioned as corporations. Virtually, the Milwaukee street railway company and the City of Milwaukee are on the same level, as far as the constitution is concerned, although one represents men and the other only dollars.

The power of cities is exceedingly limited. Milwaukee, for instance, a city of 400,000 inhabitants, has no home rule whatsoever. Even in small matters, it is absolutely governed by the legislature. Now, the legislators may be well-meaning men, but they are men from up state who know little or nothing about the vital needs of a large city like Milwaukee. In 1848 that was all well enough. There were then no large cities in Wisconsin and the conditions were very much the same in all parts of the state. Today this arrangement is obsolete and dangerous, and is the cause of a great deal of hardship, and even of graft.

Another point. The state cannot be a party to any interior improvement under our present constitution. Until very recently the great State of Wisconsin had not the power to build a little wagon road two miles long.

Amendments to the constitution are very cumbersome. They have first to pass through two consecutive legislatures, which in itself is very difficult, on account of certain vested interests which like to fish in the muddled waters of our constitution. Then each amendment must be signed by the governor, and afterwards voted upon by the people, before it is adopted.

And, at best, such amendments can be only patch work. The constitution was made for a state in its childhood. This same state has since come to maturity. The constitution is simply a cloak for our body politic.

To compel us to live under our present constitution is very much like compelling a grown person to wear baby clothes.

But it has been said by some ultra-conservative people who hate everything that looks like a change, that the lawyers and the courts understand this constitution and know how to interpret the laws accordingly. They would first have to learn a new constitution, and this would make trouble.

Now, in the first place, the constitution is not made for the lawyers and for the courts, but ought to be made for the people.

We all know that every law is interpreted in three or four different ways, according to the personal likes and prejudices of the lawyers and the courts. Even the decisions of the Supreme Courts have been fearfully inconsistent. A tremendous amount of injustice and barbarism is rampant, on account of our antiquated constitution.

I repeat that the constitution of Wisconsin was all well enough in 1848, and for its day and its conditions. So were the constitutions of Crete, of Carthage, and of Sparta, in their time. Aristotle mentions them as model constitutions.

But would we want to apply them to Wisconsin?

And are we to be tied to an antiquated document for the sole reason that some vested interests worship it as a fetish, because there is no efficient way to curb them under this constitution? Because, when the constitution was framed, their existence was not foreseen?

Are we to live forever under a constitution which makes provision against duelling, but none against trusts?

Wm. L. Berger





## J. Wesley Hill Interviewed

By Emanuel Julius

**R**EADING so much about J. Wesley Hill, the anti-Socialist preacher, I decided to take a trip up to his church, at Fourteenth street and Ninth avenue, New York City, look the old duffer over and have a chat with him.

It certainly was easy sailing. Not for one moment, while in the enemy's camp, was my life in danger.

Entering his private office I was stopped by a stenographer. I handed her one of my cards, declaring, at the same time, that I desired to interview the Reverend Doctor J. Wesley Hill, notorious anti-Socialist and president of both the League for Social and Individual Justice and The International Forum association.

I did not wait very long before I heard a loud voice say: "Show'm in."

A few seconds later, hat in hand, I stood before his august majesty. I noticed at a glance that he was a heavy, tall man of about 50 years of age. Seated at his desk, the first thing that attracted my attention was his bald head—it shone like a star and dazzled me with its brilliance. I next noticed his fat belly. It failed to reach his knees by about three inches. As I stood there looking at him I could not resist asking myself: "Upon what must do this our Hill feed that he hath grown so fat?"

"Did you come to see me?" asked Hill, eyeing me from head to foot.

"Yes," was my answer.

I must have made a good impression on him, for he handed me a genuine Havana as soon as I seated myself. Lighting it, I took a few puffs and right here I would have the whole world know that that cigar was a dandy.

J. Wesley was getting impatient. "What do you want to see me about?" he asked abruptly.

"I want to know when you intend to begin annihilating the Socialists?" was my query.

"That's a strange question to ask," said Hill after a moment's hesitation. "Why?" asked I.

"Don't you know that the league of which I am president is over a year old? Don't you know that we have been attacking Socialism all this time?" Hill asked of me.

"Yes, I know all that," I replied. "But here is what puzzles me; when you organized the capitalists, preachers, editors, labor leaders and politicians into your league to smash So-

cialism there were only about a half million Socialist voters in this country and now, after a year of bombarding the Socialist ranks, I find that they have about seven hundred thousand voters. That's funny, isn't it? I'd imagine that your opposition should have weakened them instead of given them added strength and numbers."

Hill stuttered and stammered at my remark and then mumbled: "I'm sure that I can't be blamed for the increase in the Socialist vote. Were I to have my way about it there would be no Socialist party in existence today."

I then asked him why he is so strenuously opposed to Socialism. His reply went something like this:

"The Socialists are irreligious—they are brigands, that's what they are. They frankly work for the 'grand act of confiscation'—they plainly say they intend to rob the capitalists of their wealth. The Socialists are atheists and are against the church of God. They are bent on changing this present form of society and bringing about a system that will enable the loafer to enjoy the sweets of life."

I thought it about time to interrupt. What I said was:

"Don't you think that this system that we are living under enables the loafers to live off the best that labor produces? I believe that your argument smashes away at capitalism more effectively than at Socialism. Anyone who has studied the question in the least knows that the Socialists are working for a system that will do away with parasites. They declare that only by one's labor shall a person consume."

Hill settled back in his chair and chuckled loudly. Continuing, I said:

"You say, Mr. Hill, that the Socialists are atheists. Maybe some are, but you are wrong when you say that the Socialist movement is anti-religious. The Socialist movement is a political and economic organization and does not tamper with one's religious beliefs. It holds that religion is a private matter. Its convention decided that question thoroughly. You should get the proceedings and read up. A few pamphlets on Socialism would do you no harm."

Hill then replied: "I don't think you stand much chance of converting me to the Socialist theory. I might add that I don't care to enter into a discussion with you on this question. Good morning."

## Mark Twain and Social-Democracy

By Horace B. Walmley

**S**Ocial-Democracy is merely the consensus of the convictions on government and the rights of those who work—all of the great names in the history of the race. Every man who loomed above his fellows and spoke on the subject at all—is with us. Mr. Howells lately gave some account of Mark Twain's attitude—but he strangely overlooked the Social-Democracy that everywhere pervades "A Yankee at King Arthur's Court." Scores of passages in that great novel undeniably demonstrate that Twain was a Social-Democrat.

But that is not all. Twain's "The Prince and the Pauper"—just as unmistakably declares him ours. I have not space to quote—but read both books, pencil in hand, and pick out selections, until you are satisfied.

Again, consider how valiantly he fought on our side against the McKinley imperialists, and the incredible horror of the Philippine conquest, in which 250,000 of the islanders perished in the struggle for liberty against the bayonets of McKinley and Roosevelt.

Consider, further, how he pilloried "unspeakable Funston in an immortality of infamy that will last as long as our language endures."

And now, he leaves us as a precious legacy, a characterization of Roosevelt, which voices the Social-Democratic feeling adequately. Among his unpublished manuscripts—now made public—is one dated March 6, 1909, entitled, "An Article on the Inauguration of President Taft and the Deliverance of the Country from Mr. Roosevelt." Among other things we read—in it:

"Thanks be, we got rid of this disastrous burden [Roosevelt] day before yesterday at last. 'Forever?' Probably not. Probably for only a brief breathing spell, wherein, under Mr. Taft, we may hope to get back some of our health—four years. We may expect to have Mr. Roosevelt sitting on us again with his twenty-eight times the weight of any other presidential burden that a hostile providence could impose on us for our sins."

"Our people have adored this showy charlatan as perhaps no impostor of his breed has been adored since the Golden-Calf; so it is to be expected that the nation will want him back again after he is done hunting other wild animals heroically in Africa, with the safeguards and advertising equipment of a park or artillery and a brass band."

THESE BILLS. Tell them what the bills are, and tell them whether the "progressive" congressman has or has not given the bill his support.

BERGER IS NOT ONLY GOING TO CONGRESS, HE IS GOING TO BE A POWER IN CONGRESS IF THE SOCIALISTS THROUGHOUT THE NATION BACK HIM UP WITH THE RIGHT KIND OF PROPAGANDA.

THE ARIZONA SITUATION. The opposition to a popular recall for judges speaks volumes for the recognition by great interests of the judiciary as the ultimate seat of power, and of their wish to keep it. "Let our judges censor the laws of a country," they seem to say, "and we care not who enacts them." Their pretense that disgruntled litigants would set the recall machine in motion against judges who decided for their adversaries is altogether too thin. Defeated litigants could get but few signatures to their petitions for a recall of the judge. The public would laugh at them. Their only recourse would be the time-hallowed one of a spell of "cussin" the judge out in the tavern stable." But we are told that "no self-respecting lawyer would consent to be a judge," with the recall staring him in the face. It were better if the man who for that reason wouldn't take a judgeship were left to his pickings as an open instead of a concealed lawyer for special interests. Might a judge be recalled because he held that "a county was obliged to pay bonds which the people wished to repudiate?" The instance cannot be named where a people have tried to repudiate an honestly contracted debt; and if there were any such danger, the argument would apply as well to the recall of an administrative officer to prevent his making payment, or of a legislator who refused to vote for repudiation, as to recall of a judge. And if the people in any political

subdivision decided to repudiate obligations, they would be too earnest to begin with recalling petty judges. Would the recall be a "menace to the independence of the judiciary?" On the contrary, it would relieve judges of the worse menace that perpetually faces them now. The menace of the majority of all the people of a community is a friendly aid, in contrast with the menace of the beast.—The Public.

A DECOY DUCK. The eight-hour law that the Canadian working people have been hoping for a long time will not come from the present session of parliament. Alphonse Verville, former president of the Dominion Trades and Labor congress, was looked to as the member in parliament to steer the bill through, but for some reason not made public Verville withdrew the bill that labor wanted and introduced one that is declared to be utterly worthless, not only by laboring men, but by old-party members who were ready to vote for an effective measure. The fact that Verville was elected as a "labor" candidate in a Quebec district and was under no obligations to either Liberals or Tories and yet displays a timidity that is wholly unnecessary is disgusting the Canuck workers throughout the country. The Socialist element is particularly bitter and says there is no longer any reason to experiment with alleged labor men, who are really decoy ducks for capitalism.—Cleveland Citizen.

A CAPITALIST MATRIARCHATE. Socialist science vindicated again. Upon the death of Baron William Rothschild, according to a book just published by R. Martin, Prussian councillor of state, Rothschild's immense fortune of \$63,308,000 was divided among his children, but did not go out of the family "as his sons-in-law became Rothschilds." Thus, as Morgan showed, do family forms depend upon material things. In this intensely patriarchal age we see a man leaving his own family and joining that of his wife, a pure survival of the matriarchate, when the money bags pull that way.—People.

BOTH SIDES SICK OF IT. There is many a capitalist sick unto death of capitalism. There is many a wage earner sick unto death of wage slavery. Men's hearts are human and they do not like to do many things they are forced to do. The brotherhood of man has been the dream of the ages. At last it is possible to realize that dream by the social ownership and enjoyment of the means of production and distribution.—Cotton's.

SOCIALISTS ARE MATERIALISTS. We Socialists are material creatures. We recognize the question of hard cash. Our eyes are not blinded by sentiment. We see the revenues of the master class. We see whence they arise, and we cease not our cries for economic justice.

THE WAR GAME. Since, according to our military "experts," that billion and a half of cold cash we have thrown into the war-witches cauldron during the past ten years leaves us "unprotected," "without ammunition to fight for more than an hour," etc., etc., would it not be quite as well to save the outlay as to increase the expenditure?—Farm, Stock and Home.

MAIL CLERKS WINNING. The mail clerks are winning their fight with the government for a shorter workday and to abolish overtime. The mail carriers are also proving successful in their efforts to abolish Sunday work, which is entirely unnecessary. The appeals of the postal employees to public opinion is obtaining results.—Ex.

A BETTER DAY IS COMING. The progress of Socialism means for the workers higher wages, shorter hours, better workshop conditions, care-free old age, more comfortable homes, steadier employment.—Ex.

Let the industry bear it. James Maurer, the lone Socialist member of the Pennsylvania legislature, has introduced a bill providing workmen's compensation in case of injury or death without any compulsory payment into an insurance fund on the part of the toilers, but industry must bear the entire cost. Maurer, who is a well-known plumber in Reading, has proven an enigma to the older politicians around the state capitol at Harrisburg. While most of the members of the legislature clamored for positions on committees, Maurer refused to ask for a single assignment, and yet he was appointed to eight of the most important committees in the house.—Ex.

A KING OUT OF A JOB. EX-KING MANUEL of Portugal is reported to be renting, for his own use, an elegant mansion with several acres of beautiful grounds at Richmond, near London, England. The ordinary worker who gets fired does not as a rule rent an expensive dwelling in the west end or even eat dinner at the Rannier cafe. First of all he endeavors to scare up a new job in order to be able to hang onto his \$1-a-week room and his occasional blowout of doughnuts and coffee. Not so Manuel. He does not appear to have looked up any possible vacancies for kings or emperors. We did not notice his ad. in the "Wanted" column for a job as monarch by an energetic and pushing young ruler. In fact, apparently, he has cut out work altogether and will retire on his means.

This is all the more surprising when we note the new regime in Portugal has confiscated his estates and property there. So that we might expect to find him near broke and perhaps taking a steamer passage for America, our happy home, and ending up at a railroad construction camp in company with other Portuguese. Not so, not at all. Apparently he is well fixed and the reason for this I discovered recently. In common with all other European monarchs, Manuel has for several years been investing large sums of money in gilt-edge securities in other countries. Thus he will now be able to live, and to live well, on the interest coming to him on these investments. While he was working he saved money, invested it wisely, and now see the result.

Labor produces all wealth and of course the workers pay the interest on these gilt-edge securities. So that now Manuel can no longer live off the Portuguese workers, he can live in luxury from the toil of the workers of other countries, notably Great Britain, where most of his savings are invested.—Ex.

Note.—The writer of the above overlooks that kindly pension given the ousted king by the new government, paid out of the toil of the workers.

## The Boy Scouts

Of course the capitalists and their political and religious henchmen are for Boy Scouts. The murderers must be taught young to do their dirty work.

We are creatures who have evolved from the lower types of animals. Christ taught peace. Tennyson taught peace. Tolstoy taught peace. And yet our Canadian labor skinner is wild for war. The political puppets are putting guns into the hands of our infants and telling them, "Go, learn to shoot your fellow man." Our governor general and the lieutenant governors of our provinces are teaching babes to lip in terms of murder. Even our ministers of the Man of Peace are turning themselves into hounds of war.

We have evolved from the lower brutes. According to Haeckel each human being reproduces in himself the history of the race. We have come out of the brute. The baby cannot talk. This is a remnant of the history when men were dumb like the brutes. A baby has the habit of putting things into its mouth. This is a remnant of the history of the race when men felt with their lips like dogs and horses. A baby creeps on all fours. This is a remnant of the four-legged stage. The boy delights in savage pursuits and games of war. This is a remnant of the savage history of man. Tennyson tells man, "Move upward, working 'out the beast, and let the ape and tiger die.'"

But what do our rulers do? Do they teach peace? No. They teach war. They gather together all the evil tendencies of the boy and turn them into blood lust. They preach obedience to a tyrant. They strive to make the boy a savage so that the savage stage of man may be prolonged on the earth and the tyrants may rule by blood.—Cotton's Weekly.

## A Plain Case of Intellectual Dishonesty

THERE are said, according to good authority, to be three things making man's happiness:

1. What he is.
2. What he has.
3. What he is in the minds of others, the respect man enjoys.

Ex-Gov. Hughes, now a member of the supreme court, upsets this.

He stated recently: "It would be a terrible thing FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE if they would lose their respect for their supreme court."

Now, the supreme court is supposed to be a possession of the nation—a costly one at that. But the respect this court wants to enjoy is a possession of the supreme court, and if the respect is lost, the supreme court is the loser.

Nothing terrible has happened to the nation, save that it realized the notorious fact that the supreme court is not its possession after all, but that it is owned by the corporations of this country.

The lawyer Hughes can prove that the loss of a cataract is a terrible thing for the man who regained his sight, or a Vanderbilt losing his wealth would represent a terrible fate for this nation.

Hughes will make a fine judge for predatory wealth. He would have made a fine Pharisee in Israel. What a strange lot our famous Americans are! Whether named Hughes, Tom Platt, Dewey, Roosevelt, Root, Taft, Mark Hanna, Penrose, Aldrich or Spooner, they are all alike.

These inmates of our American hall of fame are thrown out as soon as they are dead. Sometimes sooner than that. They are immortal while they are humbugging the nation they claim to love. How can a decent character exist playing such a game and not get sick of it?

Wia.

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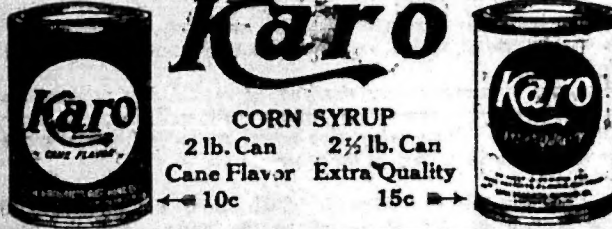
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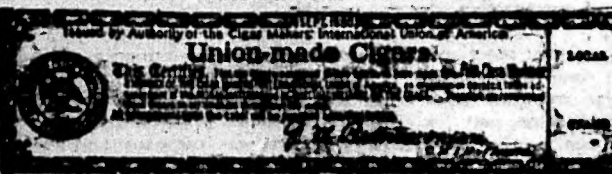
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## "Voice of the People"

Last Sunday the Milwaukee Social-Democrats made a house to house distribution, covering the entire city, of a special bulletin, under the title, The Voice of the People, giving facts and figures relative to local city income and expense and showing that the administration has had nothing to do with the prevailing rate of taxes. Also an exposure of alleged fact distortion in regard to administration matters was made, and the actual facts given to show the falsity of a lot of stuff put out by one Ald. Bogk, a hold-over from the gang days.

As this special bulletin gives just the facts out-of-town Socialists are after, to meet the lies printed in the capitalist press despatches about Milwaukee's Socialist administration, we would suggest that they also make use of it. Send a 2-cent stamp for a copy to Edmund T. Melms, coun-  
organizer, Brisbane building, Milwau-  
kee.

In the Mexican border states where the citizens are best acquainted with the facts of the conflict between troops of the Mexican government and revolutionists, monster meetings are being held by Socialists, trade unionists and citizens of all classes, expressing sympathy for the Mexican revolutionists and protesting against United States troops being sent to the border, also demanding heli-  
-copter rights for the Mexican revolutionists.

The St. Louis Socialists are justly jubilant at the signal defeat of the proposed "reform" charter. It was a dirty dollar affair masquerading as something particularly needed in the interests of good government. The Socialists did good work against it and made themselves felt. In Seattle on a recall the sitting mayor was ousted from office for running a vice administration of the city, by some 4,000 votes, just about the number, in fact, that the press agrees that the Socialists cast against him.

## Simon Wing Is Dead

Simon Wing, the first Socialist candidate for president of the United States, died in Boston at the ripe old age of 84. He was the candidate of the Socialists in 1894 and polled 27,164 votes. Wing was a fine old gentleman, says an exchange, with a great heart and unlimited sympathies for the working class. He was the inventor of many photographic devices, chief among them the multiplying camera. But few people, however, know him as an inventor. He was a useful citizen in society and passed to his long rest admired and respected by all who knew him.

John Spargo is making a round of the eastern colleges and universities, lecturing under their auspices before the entire student bodies. Very successful meetings were held at Clark University, Cornell University, Rochester University, Yale University, Mt. Holyoke College, Trinity College, Elmira College, Springfield Training School, and a number of others.

Between the dates of February 28th and March 28th Comrade Spargo will make a lecture tour under the direction of the National Office, going as far west as Denver. Local clearing dates must apply at once.

In the Chicago municipal campaign, or rather in the race for the nomination at the primaries for a candidate for mayor, the usual issues of big business are the only ones in evidence among the old party contestants. But so flagrant has become the

use of money by the transportation companies, the telephone, gas and hog-killing interests that the Chicago Tribune, on the 17th inst., printed the following in large letters at the head of the first page:

"The attention of every voter in Chicago is called to an editorial in the Tribune of today entitled 'Who is Putting Up?' The editorial proceeds: 'WHO IS PUTTING UP?' The inelegant but forceful question—Who is Putting Up?—is the most vital interrogation point before the voters of Chicago today. Nine citizens are bunting three nominations for mayor; three Democrats, five Republicans, one Socialist. The latter candidate can be eliminated in the discussion of this question. We all know that sweat and blood furnish the campaign funds with which the (Socialist's) party fights its battles. But what about the other eight? Who is Putting Up?"

Leo Deutsch, whose life has been dedicated to the service of the revolution in the dominions of the czar, one of the founders of the Russian Social-Democracy, an unselfish and unassuming martyr to the cause, has arrived in this country and is speaking to immense crowds in the eastern cities. He will probably make a tour through the country.

While belonging to the few remaining Russian revolutionists who rank with Kropotkin, Tschakowsky, and Katherine Breshkowskaya, or "Babushka," as she is generally called, Deutsch is alive to the present-day problem of the working class world over, and his coming to the New World to take charge of a Russian journal is hailed with joy by Russian Socialists here.

The story of Deutsch reads more like a romance. Sixteen years he spent in Siberia, and the memories of these years spent in one of the remotest prisons of Asiatic Russia, the Kara prison, have been told by him in a book which he named "Sixteen Years in Siberia."

The book has been translated into every European language. It has been read and reread, and with every new reading of the book the interest in the writer, as well as in what he has to tell, has grown.

Is it not queer? Under capitalism mills shut down because the markets are glutted with the things men need to live by. Men go workless and hungry because there has been too much food produced. Men go ill clad because too much clothing has been produced. This is what capitalism does for humanity. And yet we must not change the system for that of the Socialist one, because, you know, this is the best system and Socialism won't work. Do you believe Socialism won't work? Wake up. Get wise.—Ex.

"One old party is just as willing to do the dirty work of capitalism as the other. It won't help matters to change at all."—Hamilton (Ohio) Searchlight.

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# The Boy Grafters

## A New Organization Which Will Fit Our Boys for Public Life

(Reprinted from the Socialist number of Life.)

The organization of Boy Scouts, founded by General Baden-Powell and Ernest Thompson Seton, is doing much for the physical welfare of our children. What is really needed, however, is an organization which will enable them to carry on the grand work of running the country.

For this purpose Life has organized The Boy Grafters.

Any American boy is eligible. Grafting in all its various forms will be taught at such an early age that its principles will become second nature at a time when the boy's character is developing. Thus much time will be saved.

It is hard to become a grafter late in life.

Grafting is now recognized as being the most powerful force in our civilization. Without it few would make a success.

Our Boy Grafters will be taught everything necessary.

They will not, however, be forced.

At twelve every Boy Grafter will be taught ordinary business methods, such as the simple adulterations of foods, involving only the most rudimentary chemical principles.

At thirteen he will be obliged to make a pool of some sort. The idea is not to make him successful at all pools, but to get him used to the methods of making them.

At fourteen he will be taught a great number of religious precepts and how to apply them at the right moment.

At fifteen he will begin on the magisterial arithmetic course and all the simpler forms of bond issues will be shown. He will be obliged to combine something if only dog houses.

At sixteen he will be made to de-

live a lecture on the rights of property, in which he ought to be able to show that those who have property are to be protected from those who

gladly serve but there are obstacles. "I should be glad to lead The Boy Grafters," he said, yesterday, "but I am giving away so many millions a year to my country already that I feel that my time should be my own. I have, however, every sympathy with your organization, and shall hope to aid you from time to time by forwarding what moral precepts occur to me. Tell the boys from me to live pure lives. One cannot accomplish the best results if one dissipates. Be honest, be manly, attend church regularly, also Sunday school, and keep your heads cool. You can always do the other fellow so much better."

Mr. Carnegie regretted also.

"I am getting too old for this sort of thing," he said, "but I heartily approve of it. Some sort of leadership is necessary for our boys. They should be taught early in life that the acquisition of money is the one thing, at any cost, and afterwards they can pose as philanthropists, if necessary to their peace of mind. I wish you all success."

Mr. Morgan has been urged to take the leadership. With J. P. Morgan at the head of The Boy Grafters it is bound to be a success, even if he does but little; his name will go far.

"I will do almost anything for my country; it always pays," he said last night, "but before accepting this post I shall have to think it over."

At a late hour he had not yet decided, but we hope soon to chronicle his acceptance. Great pressure is being brought to bear upon him. Among other things, all the bonds of the new organization will pass through his hands.

The country awaits his decision with eagerness.

If not Mr. Morgan then Mr. Ryan.

—Life.

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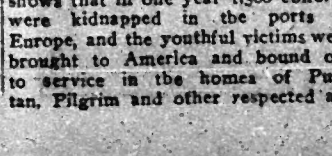
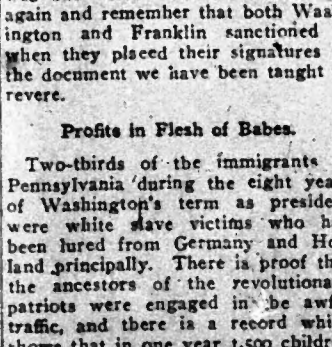
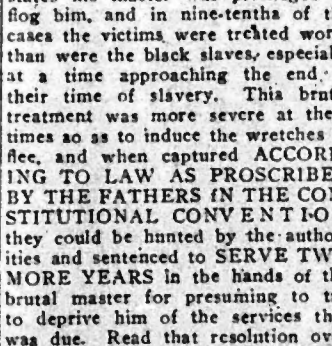
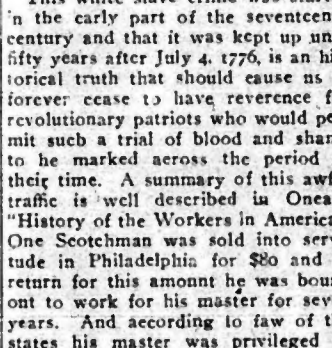
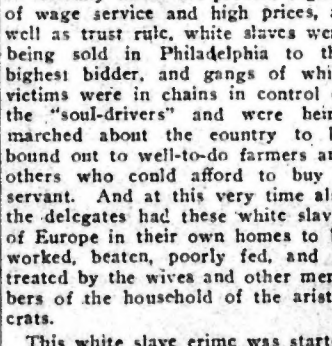
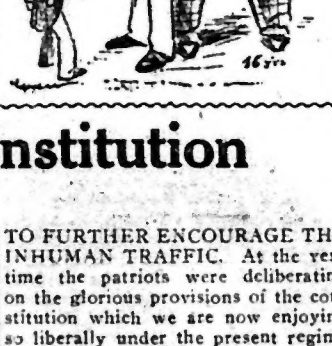
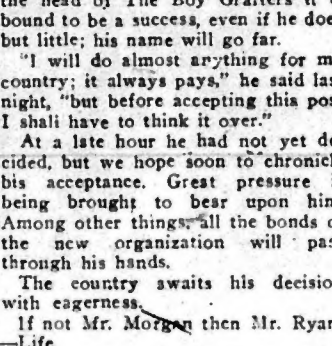
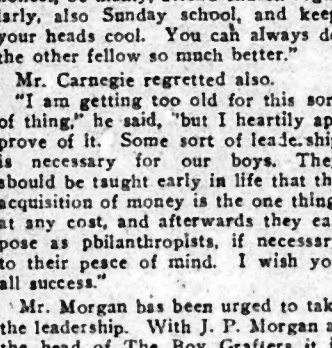
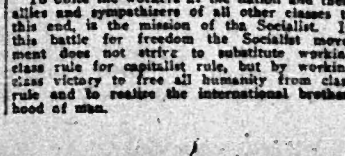
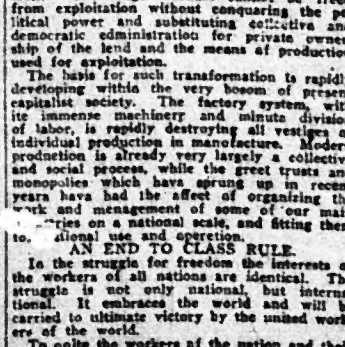
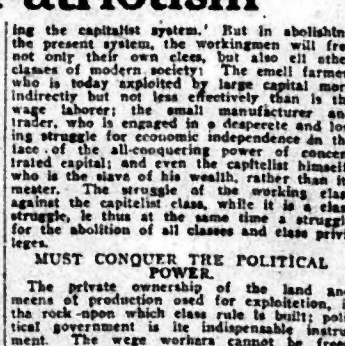
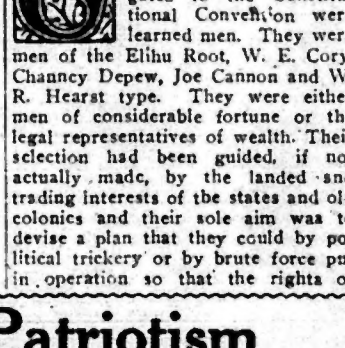
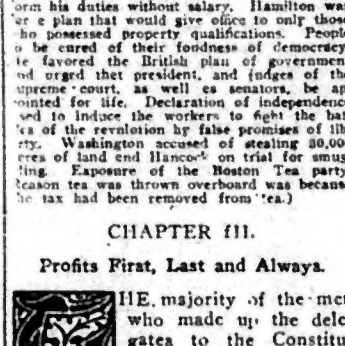
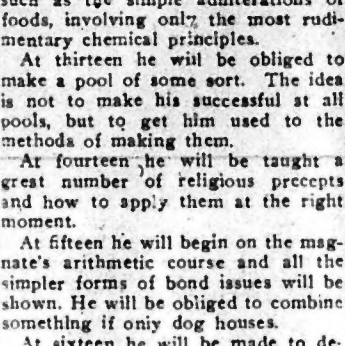
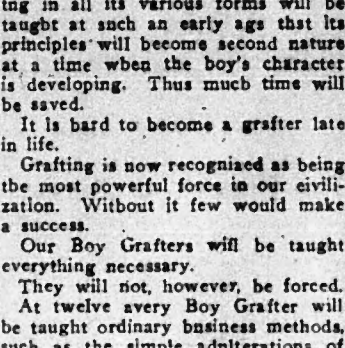
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# The Builders' Column

By A. W. Mance

## Facts for Herald Readers

On the 19th of April, 1910, the Socialists took possession of the city government of Milwaukee. They had been in control of the city about seven months when the county, state and congressional elections came on in November. When the campaign was over and the smoke of battle cleared away, the Socialists discovered that they had completely routed their opponents in the county contest, which resulted in all the power inherent in the county government passing into their hands.

Besides their power and influence was found to have extended to the state legislature by the election of twelve members to that body, and two to the state senate. The Fifth congressional district, consisting of part of Milwaukee county and the agricultural county of Waukesha, had sent Victor L. Berger to congress, while Gaylor, the Socialist candidate in the Fourth congressional district had only been defeated by a slender majority in a district where there were 1,300 old soldiers who voted the Republican ticket almost solid.

Would You See Them in Action? These men are all now in action in their various spheres of legislative and administrative duties.

Some years ago a Socialist publishing house published a little pamphlet entitled "What Socialists would do if they captured a city?" It sold by the tens of thousands and was read with intense interest.

cestry of which the proud American is fond to boast of today. It was always the children of the poor of Europe who were kidnapped, and when they protested to the authorities over there they obtained no redress as the kidnappers bribed the officials of the small coast towns to assist them in the inhuman traffic.

Finally the kidnapping became so notorious in England as well as America so many children of the poor of Bristol being spirited away by the child-thieves, that a law was passed under the direction of British rule making it a penalty of death for this kind of crime. The law was passed to satisfy the parents of the victims and those who were naturally opposed to the traffic, but at least five historians present proofs to show that 10,000 persons were kidnapped annually after the passage of the act and the business did not cease until it became no longer profitable. AND IT WAS PROFITABLE FOR FIFTY YEARS AFTER THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, and the sale of white flesh did not cease until Washington had been in his grave nearly half a century. And it ceased then because it WAS NO LONGER A GAME OF PROFIT.

More of the horrors of the white slave business of our ancestors who were of the trading class, business men and the "well-born" or were able to purchase a servant will be told in the next chapter. It is a tale of horror that the modern historian has almost ignored, but there are enough proofs to show that your are fortunate if you can trace your ancestry back to the working class, or that you cannot trace the connection back to the "well-born" and the wealthy exploiting class.

(Continued next week.)

## Wallace Wattles Dead

Wallace D. Wattles died on February 7th at Ruskin, Tenn., and was buried at his home, Elwood, Ind., on Feb. 10. The Socialist local was in charge of the funeral services. Universal respect was shown, even the business houses closing two hours in the afternoon. Comrade Fred G.

Strickland delivered the funeral address.

Wallace D. Wattles was well known as a lecturer in the party in the middle states. He was associated with the original group called Social Crusaders.

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**The Non-Partisan Fallacy**  
(From the Milwaukee Journal.)  
To the Editor of the Journal: Having read your editorial on the non-partisan judiciary, the writer cannot help thinking that, while the logic may be good, it is vitiated by a huge fallacy. And that fallacy is the assumption that our judiciary performs only judicial functions, while, as a matter of fact, its greatest power lies in its legislative functions.

No legislation truly becomes the law of the land until it has been pronounced constitutional by the courts. In declaring a legislative act null and void, the judiciary exercises a power which every sovereign law-making body possesses, the power to defeat any proposed legislation by withholding its assent.

Our government is based upon the theory that the will of the people is the law of the land. And as the law of the land is in the last resort determined by the judiciary. Instead of the legislature, as was originally intended, it is through the judiciary that the people can most effectively exert their will.

The writer recognizes full well how unfortunate it is to plunge the judiciary into partisan politics. But the fault lies not with those who propose to exert the will of the people through

the medium of the judiciary, but with the political system which gives the judiciary the important legislative power it exerts, which, by the way, it exerts in no other country but ours. So long as the law of the land is in the last resort determined by the judiciary, so long will the people—in order to make their will the power of the land—be compelled to elect such judges as have political views in accordance with their own.

**OBSERVER.**

**Ambush Tactics**  
Consideration of purchase of lands on the Milwaukee river for park purposes in connection with the Berger plan should be had on the merits of the project.

The cry for a referendum on the matter was not initiated in good faith toward the principle of the referendum. It had its origin in a purpose to embarrass the proposition and to put the administration in a hole, that is, to make it appear that it had repudiated one of its time honored platform demands.

Those urging it have never been known to die early and often in behalf of the referendum principle heretofore on similar propositions. In fact there is ample reason to suspect they would be strongly against the use of the principle for any other purpose right now than to embarrass a project they affect to favor on the surface, but underneath are itching for its defeat.

The real supporters of the effort to get this addition to the public parks of the city are using no ambush tactics and certainly the opposition ought to be equally heroic in declaring their real purposes.—Daily News.

**State Tax Increases**  
It will interest the people no doubt to know that today we are obliged to pay the State Treasurer the amount of the city's share of state taxes, which amounts to \$663,484.84.

This must be paid this day whether we have collected it or not.

It will be further interesting to know that this tax imposed by the state upon the city is \$56,000 more than it ever was before.

**C. B. WHITNALL,**  
City Treasurer.

The Weber Brewing company of Waukesha, Wis., and the agent of the Grand Rapids Brewing company are opposing organized labor.

**In the County Board**  
**A Queer Disclaimer by Attorney Baker—Young to Turn Over All Fees**

It was a remarkable document that ex-Asst. Dist. Atty. N. L. Baker sent the county board last Tuesday. While on its face a refutation of the charge that he was now taking cases against the county that he had formerly fought for the county, it went on, page after page, to show the county where it had been unfair to the Newton Engineering company—a pretty good statement of the Newton company's case. At a former meeting Supervisor Heath had introduced a resolution, which was passed, providing for the introduction of a bill at Madison making it illegal for an attorney to serve on two sides of a case successively, where the county is concerned. Incidentally the resolution implied a censure of Att. Baker. The Baker communication was filed without comment.

Clerk of Courts Young presented the following communication on the subject of fees:

Gentlemen: I beg leave to report to your honorable body that I shall not attempt under any pretext whatsoever to retain the interest on moneys deposited in court and in custody of the clerk, so-called trust funds, but will promptly pay the same over to the county quarterly. This will also include all witness fees received by me and my subordinates as officials.

The law requiring the clerk of the circuit court to pay over to the county all fees and emoluments of whatever kind, is sufficiently found in force and requires no further explanation, construction or interpretation.

I submit to your honorable body further that I have completely changed the system of bookkeeping in this office, as the method I found in vogue was found not up to the requirements of an office that annually handles about \$200,000.

I also found a loose method of issuing certificates for which vast sums are collected in fees. While under a system under which its

clerk can retain the fees, any method satisfactory to the clerk can be adopted. But now, since the fees belong to the county, it becomes absolutely necessary to strictly control the issuing of all certificates.

I have inaugurated a system of registering all certificates issued and the fees collected thereon. Every certificate issued contains on its face a statement of the fees paid, and nothing can escape registration.

Respectfully submitted,  
**W. C. YOUNG,** Clerk of Courts.

This letter was a welcome and frank statement on the fee question, quite in contrast to the communications from the former clerk. The Social-Democrats, wherever possible, are turning fees into the county treasury. County Clerk Plehn alone expects to turn over nearly a thousand dollars in hunting license fees the coming year, which former clerks put in their private pockets.

The special committee on agricultural school made its report, turning back \$100 of the \$300 which was appropriated for a trip to various schools in this and other states. It is expected that Prof. A. A. Johnson, of the school at Onalaska, La Crosse county, Wisconsin, will have charge of the proposed Milwaukee county school, at a salary of \$2,600 a year.

President Sheehan appointed John Blade as member of the civil service board of the house of correction, vice Nicholas Peterson, resigned.

A committee was appointed to confer with the city aldermen relative to the use by the city of the stone quarries at the new county house of correction tract also one to meet with the city to help plan a unification of the tuberculosis hospital work of the community.

**—don't trifle when you buy milk—**

**TIME** was when any old milkman was good enough. It's different now. Health authorities and food experts urge you to get acquainted with your milkman and his way of doing business—just because milk is the most important article of food that reaches your table.

**In Seidelberg**  
**Dist. Attorney's Quick Work**

That there is a difference when the powers that be do not stand in with the grafting fraternity was noticeable Monday, when the sum of \$700 was returned to a young girl from the country who had been induced to invest that amount in a lot of furniture in a certain rooming house.

The young woman in question was induced by a certain broker to purchase the furniture in question, being compelled to borrow a part of the money from a sister. Immediately she had paid over the money she was notified by the owner of the property to take her furniture out of the place, as she had no lease.

Complaint being made to District Atty. Zabel, that official made an investigation and found that there was a shady side to the deal. So Mr. Broker was notified that there was just one way by which he could keep out of the clutches of the law, and that was to return the \$700 by Tuesday at 9 a. m. Promptly, at the appointed time, Mr. Broker was on hand with the \$700 and a case was settled.

A certain printer likewise learned a lesson which, by the aid of District Atty. Zabel, will cost him no more than the scare he received when he found that \$300 of stock in a printing company he had purchased through a broker was absolutely worthless. The crook in this case also was given his choice and chose to pay the money back on the installment plan, being held liable to arrest and prosecution the moment he fails to make his payments regularly.

It sure is getting to be hard sledding for crooked business in Milwaukee.

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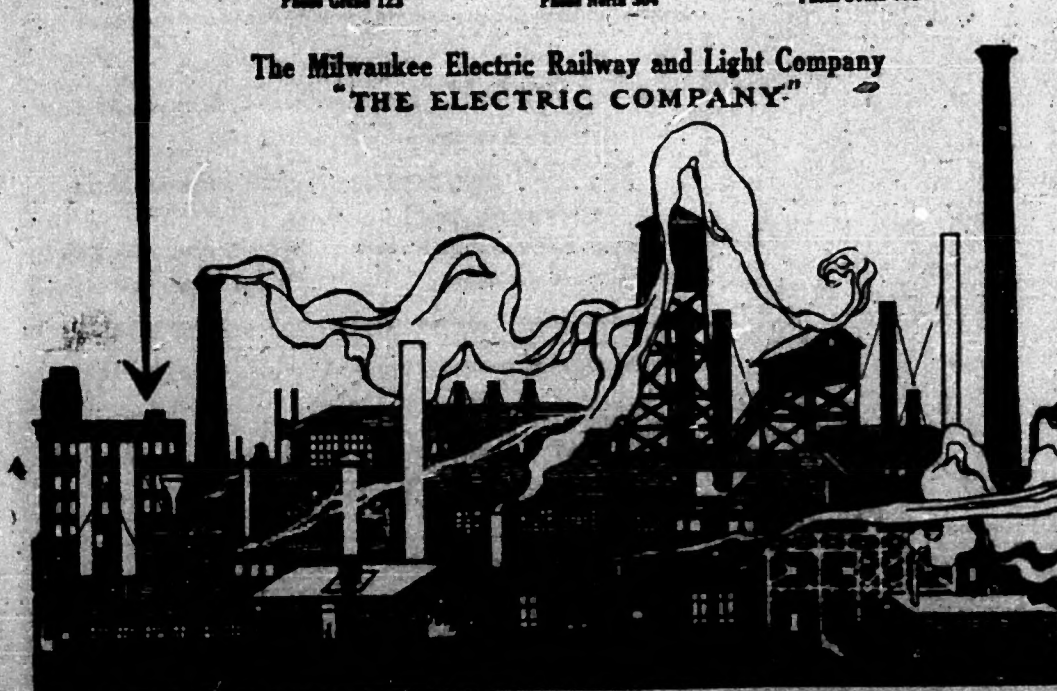
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**A Bright Spot**

**Tom Neacy Sees Spooks**  
T. J. Neacy, he of injunction fame, is out with a letter on "city planning" that reminds one of a cow judging pearls. Neacy knows absolutely nothing about city planning and hasn't even an inkling of what is meant by the term. Neacy is a business man who seems not to understand the first principles of private business, not to mention the business of the community. Of this his letter is proof.

If he knew anything about business, if he had common sense even, he would know that the capital invested in a municipal ice plant, an electric light plant or any other municipal enterprise, is not money spent, but money invested. He would also

**Will Build Footbridge**  
The bridges and viaduct committee will recommend to the council that a footbridge be constructed at Oneida street pending the completion of the new bascule bridge there. The bridge will be a pontoon and will cost not to exceed \$3,000.

**To Bridge Kinnickinnic**  
Material from the old Oneida street bridge will be used in the construction of a bridge at Fourth avenue crossing of the Kinnickinnic river. The city itself will build the bridge without the intervention of a contract at a cost of about \$1,000. More "awelling" of the payroll.

The ordinance requiring street railway companies operating in the city to pay a license fee of fifteen dollars for each car used, has been passed by the Judiciary committee and will be sent to the council for adoption.

The ordinance providing that steam engineers be licensed and that an examiner be appointed at a salary of \$1,800, and an assistant at a salary of \$1,500 is up to the council for adoption.

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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY—COUNTY COURT**  
In the Matter of the Estate of Louis Schwarz, deceased.  
On reading and filing the petition of John Schwarz executor of said estate representing among other things, that he has fully administered the said estate and praying that time and place be fixed for examining and allowing his account of his administration, and assigning the residue of the said estate according to law.  
It is ordered, that said application be heard before this court, at a regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House, in the City of Milwaukee, on the first Tuesday of April, 1911, at 10 o'clock A. M., or as soon thereafter as his name can be reached on the calendar.  
And it is further ordered that notice of said application and hearing be given to all persons interested by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks prior to the day fixed for hearing, once in each week, in the "Social-Democratic Herald," a newspaper published in said County.  
Dated this 17th day of February, 1911.  
By the Court.

**OEN C. KAREL**  
County Judge  
**WIDULE & MENNING**  
Attorneys for Estate

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY—COUNTY COURT**  
In the Matter of the Estate of Augustus Forth, deceased.  
On the 14th day of February, A. D. 1911, upon reading and filing the petition of Anna Anderson, stating that Augustus Forth of the Town of Wauwatosa, of the County of Milwaukee, died testate on or about the 13th day of Feb. 1911, and praying that Anna Anderson be appointed Administratrix of the Estate of said deceased, it is ordered, that said application be heard before this court at a regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the City of Milwaukee, on the first Tuesday of April, A. D. 1911, at 9 o'clock A. M., or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached on the calendar.  
It is further ordered that notice of said application and hearing be given by publishing a copy of this order for three weeks successively, once in each week, in the "Social-Democratic Herald," a newspaper published in said County, prior to said hearing.  
By the Court.

**JOHN C. KAREL**  
County Judge  
**WIDULE & MENNING**  
Attorneys for Estate

**SUMMONS**

**STATE OF WISCONSIN—CIRCUIT COURT**  
—Milwaukee County.  
Maria Lutzke, Plaintiff, vs. William Lutzke, Defendant.  
The State of Wisconsin, to the said defendant.

You are hereby summoned to appear within twenty days after service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and defend the above entitled action in the court aforesaid; and in case of your failure so to do judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, of which a copy is herewith served upon you.

**WIDULE & MENNING**  
Plaintiff's Attorneys  
P. O. Address, Room 8, Metropolitan Block, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The summons and complaint in the above entitled action are on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Milwaukee County.

**WIDULE & MENNING**  
Plaintiff's Attorneys

**STATE OF WISCONSIN, IN CIRCUIT COURT, MILWAUKEE COUNTY.**  
Lillian E. Phillips, Plaintiff, vs. Alvin R. Phillips, Defendant.  
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**Town Topics by the Town Crier**

Do you stand for a safe Milwaukee for girls as well as men?

The vile girl traps must go. Milwaukee decency and safety requires it.

Anyway, Mr. Beggs might spring between the tracks before he goes just to acknowledge his defeat in court on that proposition.

Mr. Beggs is a lucky man. He has lived in Milwaukee seventeen years and has never been in a street car accident. He must hear a charmed life!

City Comptroller Dietz, Jacob Reuter, Chas. J. Orth and the Socialist Singing Societies will be on the program at the Peoples' Concert at the Auditorium Sunday afternoon. The band program will be fine.

The Herald stands corrected. We named January 1 as the time of Mr. Beggs' departure from the city. Mr. Beggs now admits he will leave, but says it will take place April 1. Now it will be St. Louis that will have the "best street car system." St. Louis has our sympathy.

Rose is gone, Beggs is going—but for last of the once powerful triumvirate, John T. Janssen, still holds the fort. Do you mind the old days when the chief singled virtuously and made the excuse that Rose was the head of the police department and had to be carried out in his red light policy?

Those old party politicians who are trying to use the Catholic church by importing little Davy Goldsteins to tell Milwaukee what foul and infamous fellows the Socialists are, would do well to heed the thinly disguised distrust of Goldstein manifested by the Catholic Citizen. The Socialists do not use unfrocked priests to oppose the Catholic church, why should members of that church use an unfrocked Socialist to throw dirt at us?

That was a shameful editorial the Free Press printed the other morning. Shameful and hypocritical. Mayor Seidel has promised to make the city a clean and safe place to live in, and yet the shady fellow was made mayor. Yet the Free Press editor was not ignorant as to know that the mayor has no control over the police department and that the chief of police permits these bad-boles to flourish and to claim federal status in spite of the mayor.

Atty. Glicksman writes in a letter from which we extract this: "How do you know what I said in an address I am reported to have delivered last week? There was no reporter present. At least, I am credibly informed there was not. No paper reported what I said, although several papers, including yours, have reported things I did not say."  
Well, here's a go! And it is up to the daily press, more than the Herald to explain how they dared to sell their readers false news. As for us, we cheerfully withdraw our remarks, as "immaterial, irrelevant and not the best evidence"—under the circumstances.

Milwaukee has no more of these disreputable bed houses than other large cities, and probably no less. The police pretend that they keep prostitution isolated in the River street district, but they well know what a hoax such a claim is. Under Chief Janssen

the red light district has spread until it has practically enveloped the entire downtown district. The chief stands between the citizens and every effort to discourage the increase of these places. And the chief has back of him a majority of the fire and police commission. Under the law the mayor of the city is head of the police department. However, the chief, with a majority of the police and fire commission can ignore the mayor's orders.

That was a good joke the International Harvester Company played on its employees on Washington's birthday. It notified its men that if they did not come to work on that day that they would be incontinent. Then, the Harvester heads toggled themselves out in their best duds and hid themselves to the Washington's birthday celebration at the Auditorium, applauded the professional constitutional-worshipping orations that took place there, but most of all they applauded the playing of the band. It was the Harvester band! The whole thing made very soothing reading for Harvester employees next day, and they ought to be thankful that their bosses are patriotic and that the band is also, and that through the patriotism of their employees they themselves enjoy the blessing of being occupied on a legal holiday, when they might be out of work entirely.

Let no lover of good music miss the municipal concert at the Auditorium Sunday. Perhaps this item will fall under the eye of a person who has not yet gone. Make a try of it tomorrow. Certainly a ten-cent admission should be no barrier. You will feel elevated by the beautiful music, you will feel like a better citizen. And it is always pleasant to be in an orderly crowd of your fellow citizens. And by the way, may we not throw in a suggestion to the management? Many people like a little popular music sandwiched in between the work of the masters. There is high grade popular music that is not beneath an orchestra of artists, and besides, it will throw in a little relief here and there, to help the relish of the more classical compositions. The young folks are keener for the simpler and more melodious pieces. And these lines are written by a passionate lover of classical music, so they are not the promptings of prejudice or musical ignorance.

The most cowardly thing an employer can do is to deny the right to earn bread and butter to a man simply because of his political opinions. In fact, if such a practice were common we would not touch for the consequences of a just vengeance on the part of the working class. It is reported that the Milwaukee Motor company, at Burleigh and Thirty-second streets, has been discharging men wholesale because they believe in Socialism. This past week, so we are told, another Socialist workman, E. G. Schwartz, was let out, and no bones made of the reason. On election day the firm was so lost to the smallest prompting of patriotism that they posted a notice in the shop that no man could take any time off on that day. This was to head off two men who had asked the right to exercise their rights of citizenship by taking positions in the booths. Working people ask only fair play under the capitalist wage system, but capitalism may be sure its sins will find it out sooner or later if it deals unfairly with its wealth makers.

**At the Theaters Next Week**

**BIJOU—"Happy Hooligan"**  
First and foremost are the considerations of skillful male and female talent brought to bear in the new reproduction of "Happy Hooligan," a musical comedy, telling a plausible story and one that admits of as many fun episodes as can be judiciously crowded into time for the relief from

misad Gayety patrons in Jack Mason's new show "The Rollicking Girls," the week beginning Sunday p.m. The delightful musical comedy success "The Rollicking Girls" with Tom Robinson and Jimmy Connors, the popular comedians has achieved a big hit so far this season, and the theatregoing public seem to recognize a good thing and a theatrical offering without much coaxing.

**ALHAMBRA—"The Inferior Sex"**  
Miss Maxine Elliott, probably the most famous beauty on the American stage, comes to the Alhambra theater for a limited engagement Friday and Saturday, with a Saturday matinee, this coming week. She is appearing in her jolly nautical comedy "The Inferior Sex," under her own management.

a musical tornado. In fact those who have already made up their minds to attend the performances announced for this week at the Bijou are quite prepared to enjoy an evening of refreshing entertainment furnished by artists in every line of musical comedy. **EMPRESS—Vaudeville**  
Starting with the matinee Sunday at the Empress appears the act of the Eight Vassar Girls, vaudeville's prettiest maidens in an elaborate singing, dancing and musical treat. The balance of the program is promised as unusual.

**NEW STAR—Burlesque**  
A show that is without doubt the most meritorious and original production ever organized to tour the burlesque circuit is promised at the New Star theatre for week beginning Feb. 26, when James H. Curtin's famous and popular "Broadway Gayety Girls" in two new rollicking burlesques will be the attraction. The burlesques, "The King and the Count" and "Hotel Topsy Turvey" are pretentious affairs.

**GAYETY—Burlesque**  
A real new theatrical treat is pro-

theater, appearing at the head of his own company in Edward Peple's masterful romantic playlet "The Mallet's Masterpiece." This is Mr. Farnum's first appearance in vaudeville. An ad-



ded feature will be found in the Old Soldier Fiddlers' quartette, an organization of Civil War veterans. There will be six other excellent acts in addition to moving pictures.



been in their own original songs and dances. Joseph Callahan, the American character artist, in his original production "Great Men Past and Present" The Clemens Bros. Fashion; Meekins' dogs, Edna Whistler, and Dave Nowlin complete the bill.

The Brewery Workers' unions of this city request all members of organized labor and their friends to be alert and remain on the lookout for the product of the Grand Rapids Brewing company, and the Weber Brewing company of Waukesha, as both these firms are enemies of organized labor.

**Too "Shady"**

Milwaukee Sentinel: A ratio of 2 to 1 about expresses the relative menace to social health of the so-called shady hotel and the dubious rooming house, as compared with the open and unmisgiving tenderloin brothel.

The former, furtive class, infesting comparatively respectable neighborhoods, hides its inner corruption under a specious mask of decency, and facilitates temptation to the first downward step by the proffer of secrecy. These intermediate stations with their privacy grade and ease the road to the perdition of the hagnio.

In their privacy, their comparative insurance against exposure, lies their peculiar temptation to susceptible young womanhood. The dread of being "found out" is the powerful deterrent in such cases. Minimize that risk, as by the secrecy of these furtive shelters for shamefaced vice, and you weaken the deterrent immeasurably. The young woman who met her death last week in one of these places in all probability owed her fall largely to the argument of the chances against detection.

The dangerous privacy of veiled character of these "shady" resorts at least is not a necessary social evil. The Rev. W. F. Greenman, who has made a study of the question, deprecates as impracticable a clean sweep in the form of positive abolition. But he would, we infer, advocate a judicious weeding out, and a clean sweep of the privacy which is the special danger.

That certainly practicable kind of cleanup can be had by proper provision for supervision and regulation, and a known liability to periodical visitation and overhauling by the police.

**Prize Schafkopf**

The Twenty-first Ward branch, S. D. P., has arranged for a prize schafkopf and social to be held at Pabst park, Sunday afternoon and evening, Feb. 26, at 2:30 p. m. Tickets 15 cents, after 6 o'clock 25 cents.

The Socialists and labor people of Los Angeles are holding meetings to denounce the too eager officiousness of the United States government in trying to help Mexico down its rebellion. The government is called on to recognize the Mexican insurgents as belligerents and to itself remain absolutely neutral. This is asking a good deal of a government run by capitalist interests that also draw vast dividends from the laborers of the "republic" the other side the Rio Grande. Yet it is a sentiment that ought to prevail and that should make itself respected by the men in control at Washington.

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**Extra Free Stamps for This Coupon!**  
Cut out this coupon, present it at our stamp counter at any time on Monday Feb. 27th, and receive extra stamps absolutely free in addition to the regular amount of stamps for each 10c purchase. Either "Sperry" Gold Merchandise stamps or "S. & H. Green Premium stamps. One-half books of 500 Gold stamps will be redeemed for 1.25 worth of any merchandise in our store.

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Come and see for yourself that there are more bargains than advertised, and don't think that this list tells the whole story—the very article you may want may be here at a reduction to surprise you—COME!

**29c Undershirts at 15c**  
Boys' Ribbed Gray Undershirts, fleeced-lined, sizes 24, 26 and 28, any size 15c each.

**35c Vests Priced at 18c**  
Misse' Ribbed White Cotton Vests, size 26, Mentor Brand, fleeced-lined, 18c each.

**1.00 Union Suits at 49c**  
Boys' Heavy Fleece-lined Union Suits, sizes 24 to 34, any size on Monday at 49c.

**Women's Pants at 49c**  
Women's regular 1.00 quality Gray Woolen Pants in sizes 34 to 46, at 49c pair.

**50c Union Suits at 29c**  
Women's Ribbed White Cotton Union Suits, spring weight, sizes 4 to 6, at 29c each.

**Black Umbrellas at 28c**  
Women's Black Umbrellas, steel rod and frame, natural wood handles, 28c each.

**10c Handkerchiefs at 5c**  
Men's White Handkerchiefs with assorted colored borders, 10c ones at 5c each.

**Men's 19c Socks 9c Pr.**  
Men's Tan Half Wool Socks, all sizes, instead 19c a pair, Monday at 9c.

**75c Underwear at 39c**  
Men's Gray Half Wool Underwear, spring weight, regular 75c quality, at 39c.

**Boys' Knee Pants at 25c**  
Boys' Bloomer Style Knee Pants, sizes 4, 5 and 6, were 59c to 75c, Monday 25c.

**Boys' 1.50 Sweaters 98c**  
Boys' Gray Woolen Sweater Coats, sizes 26 to 34, red or blue trimming, Monday 98c.

**25c Suspenders at 14c**  
Men's extra heavy 25c quality Working Suspenders, union made, 14c per pair.

**Men's 65c Shirts at 38c**  
Men's Fine Blue Chambray Shirts with two separate collars, all sizes, at 38c each.

**1.75 Comforters at 1.19**  
New Comforters, knotted, floral patterns on both sides, white cotton filling, 1.19.

**1.35 Comforters at 98c**  
Stitched new Comforters, figured top and plain red lining, Monday at 98c each.

**Down Comforters 6.48**  
Fancy stitched, covered with figured mercerized sateen, 7.50 comforters, 6.48.

**5.00 Comforters at 3.75**  
Covered with mercerized sateen, with plain colored sateen borders, fluffy cotton.

**1.50 Bed Blankets 1.19**  
Two cases of extra heavy Fleece Cotton Bed Blankets, 11-4 size, 1.19 pair.

**Sale starts promptly at 8:15 o'clock Monday morning.**

**Boys' Ribbed 15c Hose 9c**  
Boys' Wide Ribbed Black Cotton Hose, fleeced lined, sizes 6 to 10, any size at 9c.

**Women's Cotton Hose 8c**  
Women's Fast Black Cotton Hose, double heels and toes, sizes 8 1/2 to 10, per pair 8c.

**Children's 35c Hose at 22c**  
Children's Ribbed Black Cotton Hose, extra fleeced-lined, sizes 6 to 7 1/2, per pair 22c.

**Infants' Cashmere Hose 19c**  
Infants' Cashmere Hose 19c merino heels and toes, sizes 5 to 5 1/2, per pair 19c.

**Women's Cashmere Hose 19c**  
Women's Black and Gray Cashmere Hose, all sizes, with ribbed tops, per pair 19c.

**Women's Cotton Hose 22c**  
Full Fashioned Fleece-lined Hose, black, with white soles, all sizes, per pair 22c.

**1.00 and 1.25 Kid Gloves 79c**  
Women's White and Gray Kid Gloves, with 2 clasps, broken lots, 79c.

**59c Cashmere Gloves 39c**  
Women's Fleece Cashmere Gloves—black and colors, with silk lining 39c.

**Cashmere Gloves 19c Pair**  
Women's 2-clasp Cashmere Gloves—fleece-lined, lined wrists—black, gray and brown 19c.

**Chamoisette Gloves at 25c**  
Children's washable 2-clasp Natural Color Chamoisette Gloves, sizes 3 to 6, at 25c.

**Women's Basieres at 23c**  
Embroidery yoke and lace edge, worn in place of corset cover, in Corset Dept. 23c.

**Children's Underwaists 9c**  
Children's Ribbed Cotton Underwaists, seamless, sizes 1 to 12 years, in Corset Dept. 9c.

**Women's Corsets 35c**  
Women's White Medium Bust Corsets, front only and sides with hose supporters, 35c.

**50c Drawer Leggings 23c**  
Children's Knitted Drawer Leggings, black, in infants' dept., second 23c.

**Children's Hoods Only 19c**  
Children's Bearskin Hoods, small sizes in all colors, in infants' dept. 19c.

**Women's New Aprons 25c**  
Women's full size Checked Gingham Kitchen Aprons, second floor, each 25c.

**Over Gaiters at 19c Pair**  
Women's Colored Cloth Over Gaiters, in our Shoe Dept. on Monday per pair 19c.

**Good Rubbers 39c Pair**  
Boys' Rubbers and Women's Storm Style Rubbers, in Shoe Dept. per pair 39c.

**Infants' Soft Soled Shoes, all colors and combinations, lace or button styles, 35c**

**Children's Shoes—Special**  
Viel Kid Shoes, button or lace styles, sizes 5 1/2 to 8, wedge heels, 59c; sizes 2 to 5 1/2 45c.

**10c Shoe Dressings at 6c**  
Whitener's French Gloss Velvet Oil, Bully Shine or Oil Paste, either kind at 6c.

**Infants' Moccasins 9c Pair**  
Infants' Colored Leather Moccasins, the first shoes for the baby, per pair 9c.

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## The Commission Form of Government for Cities

THE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC PARTY is not possessed of any superstitions with reference to this latest fad in municipal government.

No mere phraseology of name can hide the fact that the commission form of government is framed in such a way as to facilitate the formation of a governing body composed of "a few of the best people," whether or not this was the intention of those who framed the law.

We have never believed that democracy was necessarily inefficient, nor that it could not secure the kinds of talent necessary for carrying on public affairs. The objection to the present form of government in cities by means of the mayor and city council is based upon inefficiency, political corruption, and failure to fix responsibility.

In the short space of nine months the Social-Democratic administration in the city of Milwaukee, handicapped as it is by entangled state laws, has nevertheless proved that the present

prevailing form of municipal government is not necessarily responsible for inefficiency or the failure to select capable men for the various positions. It will scarcely be denied that the present Milwaukee administration is efficient and, if need be, facts and arguments can be presented on that point.

In the matter of political corruption the Social-Democratic party has demonstrated satisfactorily to the citizens of Milwaukee that the two previous sources of greatest political corruption in that city are today practically without any power in that direction. These two sources are, first, the corrupting forces of private capital, and second, the liquor interests. The working class as such has nothing to gain and everything to lose by political corruption. The latter is certain to be expensive, is always for the benefit of a few, is demoralizing to the public service, and the bills always have to be met in the last analysis by the people who work for a living. It is for these reasons that the present Milwaukee administration

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## Harvester Co. Fires 15!

The Herald Wednesday received the following letter relative to the Harvester Co.:

Milwaukee, Feb. 22, 1911.

An employee of the International Harvester company informed the foreman of the pattern shop that his birthday was that day, would like the day off on account of having a family celebration in honor of the event. The foreman informed him that any employee absenting himself on that day would be paid off in full and discharged.

The employee told him it was a legal holiday and the foreman said that was not hindering on the rules of the company. The employee said the company could break the laws of the nation and state but the employee dare

## Will Fight Labor Bills

"Be ready to go to Madison to fight these bills. The existence of your business is at stake," says a letter that is being sent out by the Manufacturers' Association to its members.

The bills that are to be fought is Bill No. 30, which provides that all employees must be given thirty-six consecutive hours of rest each week. "That means," says the letter, "that your teamster cannot feed your horses after 6 o'clock Saturday, or before 6 o'clock on Monday morning."

Bill No. 22, which provides that no female employed in a manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment, laundry, hotel or restaurant shall not be required to work more than eight hours per day, will also be attacked and is characterized as the worst of the two, as it will add 20 per cent to the cost of production.

"Nothing short of colossal," is the term used in the letter in describing the bills.

If the workmen are as much alive to their interests as the manufacturers and business men seem to be, there is no question but the bills will become law.

## Big Victory for City

The case of the state against the city and county for recovery of \$220,000 in fines collected in municipal and district courts since 1888, and about \$300,000 in interest, must go back to the circuit court to be tried on its merits, according to a decision by the supreme court on Tuesday.

According to City Atty. Hoan and Special Assistant Timlin, who represented the city in the action, the decision is a victory for the city. It means, they say, that as soon as the state amends the complaint the entire question of whether the money is to be paid must be tried over, for the reason that the state's complaint did not constitute a cause for action.

## "The Value of Useful Work"

Martin L. Bunge delivered an address on "The Value of Useful Work" at the meeting of the North Side Civic club in the North Division High school, Tuesday night. The rest of the program was made up of vocal and instrumental selections by members of the club.

## Free Lecture

The following free lectures will be given under the auspices of the Freie Gemeinde of Milwaukee at their hall, 254 Fourth street, in the near future:

Sunday, Feb. 26, 3 p. m.—Harvey Dee Brown, on "Fulfillment of Freedom."

Thursday, March 2, 8 p. m.—Oscar Ameringer, of Oklahoma, on "The Social Question."

## Harvey Dee Brown to Lecture

The Ethical hall was much pleased last Sunday with an address by Comrade Martin Bunge on "The Value of Useful Work." Miss Olga Herman sang, much to the delight of those present. Harvey Dee Brown spoke at Grand Rapids, Mich., in the All Soul's church. Next Sunday he will occupy the Ethical hall platform, speaking on "The Fulfillment of Freedom." Miss Herman will sing again. A cordial invitation is given to all.

Comrades Fred and John Kannenberg have established themselves in the undertaking profession. John Kannenberg is an old-time Socialist and member of the Second ward branch, also of the Federated Trades Council. Fred R. Kannenberg is a licensed embalmer, graduate of Eckels College of Embalming, and member of the Sixth ward branch. They are located at 608 Lloyd street.

## Wisconsin State Organization

Winfield R. Gaylord, 344 Sixth St., Milwaukee, Wis., state organizer, to whom news and other matters of this department should be sent.

## La Crosse Socialist Ticket

For mayor, Theodore Schulze; for city clerk, Theodore Strauss; for city comptroller, Leigh Toland; for city treasurer, L. P. Denoyer; for tax commissioner, Herman Rick; for member board of public works, P. L. Granum; for police justice, G. A. Noetzelman.

Theodore Schulze, the nominee for mayor, is a prominent resident of the Eighth ward. He was formerly chief clerk for the John Gumb Brewing company, being head bookkeeper there for twelve years. Theodore Strauss, the candidate for city clerk, is head electrician at the plant of the John Gumb Brewing Company and president of the Trades and Labor Council. Levinus P. Denoyer, nominee for city treasurer, is in charge of the department of geography and geology at the La Crosse State Normal school. He is a graduate of Lawrence college at Appleton and of the State Normal school at Oshkosh. He studied beyond the master's degree at Chicago, where he taught in the German Normal school. He received the degree of Ph. D. at the University of Chicago in 1908. Leigh Toland, candidate for city comptroller, is head of the Wisconsin Business university. Herman Rick, candidate for tax commissioner, is a north side resident and a member of the Carman's union. P. L. Granum, candidate for membership on the board of public works, is also a north side resident. He is a delegate to the Trades and Labor Council. Gustav A. Noetzelman, nominee for justice of the peace of the city at large, is a member of the Woodworkers' union and a delegate to the Trades and Labor Council. Prior to the meeting on Sunday, each local in the city had held a caucus and nominated a ticket. The ticket decided on was formed from those submitted by the various locals. The Socialists expect to cut a big figure in the coming election. The campaign has been on here for over a year, unceasingly, and a number of speakers are scheduled to come here before the ballots are cast in April. Predictions have been made by conservative members of the old parties that the Socialists will poll 1,000 votes. The Socialists will draw from both the old parties equally, according to some well-informed men, while it is said by others that the Democrats will feel the loss more than the Republicans.

Hawthorne—A comrade from Hawthorne writes: I thank you for your communication and will say in reply that I am more than willing to take the Herald, should have taken it long ago. I have taken a Swedish newspaper issued in Minneapolis, Democratic in its tendencies. I have been taking it because it had a page open for its readers to expose their political views, and we Socialists have been sending in many a sledgehammer blow

## State Convention to Help Labor

The State Sunday Kest Convention that meets the 27th and 28th is of great interest. Catholics, Presbyterians, Baptists, Lutherans, Socialists, etc., all joining heart and voice to help secure more of the rest to thousands of toilers that nature's laws and hence every principle of humanitarian demands. Study the program given elsewhere.

Dr. Grannis, of New York, is giving all the strength of his intellect and oratory to relieving men from seven days' work per week. Rev. H. A. Atkinson, of Chicago, because of his great success while a pastor in helping labor union men was appointed to this national work. In his inaugural address he gave a very strong endorsement of labor unions, showing how right and necessary strikes sometimes are, and showing that the church should demand shorter hours, safer surroundings, and better wages for factory workers, and denounced child labor and other great evils of the present day. Every wage earner in the city should hear these men in the City Hall.

J. B. D.

## Short Jobs by the City Hall Man

It is sure tough when men like Neacy have to do our city planning for us.

The capitalists would be glad to agree to give us almost any reform, if only they could be returned to office. It is the fact that the workers are doing it themselves that hurts.

The anti-smoke ordinance will come up in the council Monday for adoption, having been approved by the judiciary committee. The ordinance provided for a fine of from \$50 to \$100 or imprisonment in the workhouse.

If, as the Free Press says, the administration has done nothing to stamp out the assignation house and other evils, can the Free Press tell us why the sum of \$15,000 was set aside for a bureau of recreation?

It might explain to its readers also that the taking away of the licenses from these houses during the Rose administration and then allowing them to run freely without license would scarcely tend to discourage the business.

Even if it were true, as Mr. Neacy would have us believe, that \$20,000 has been set aside to employ attorneys for hoboes from other states, it would be a much less dangerous move than to allow the corporation hoboes to pick the pockets of the people by means of "friendly suits."

Our capitalistic friends are trying to console themselves with the statement that it is by friendly hands that the wedges are being driven under the present social system. Do you see? It is all a question of who is driving the wedges. If the capitalists are allowed to do it the superstructure will go straight up, but will continue to rest with added weight on the same base. The wedges will be added to the weight. Keep on driving the wedges from our side, boys!

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# Sink Holes Dragged to the Light

## Milwaukee Infested with Immoral, Police-Protected Hotels That Reek with Crime—Ulrich Case Starts Investi- gation—Helpless Working Girls the Victims —Mayor Issues Warning

An unsavory bit of Milwaukee's underworld came to the surface on Monday last during an investigation conducted by Coroner Nahin into the circumstances surrounding the death of Eunice Ulrich, aged 24 years, who died in convulsions while occupying a room at the Plaza bed house hotel, State and Sixth streets, across from the Auditorium, in company with Fred A. Wenzel, a druggist, who had taken her there for immoral purposes, registered under an assumed name.

Death was found to be due to a cerebral hemorrhage, according to the coroner's verdict, and the investigation was for the purpose of clearing

for twenty-four hours. If the guests left early it was their own affair. Some people stayed weeks at a time, she said unblushingly. Very few only stayed a few hours, she insisted. But the register was the best evidence, and there were amused glances between the onlookers when the coroner, turning the leaves of the register, pointed out room after room that the book showed had been rented out three and four times in a single night.

A further examination showed other striking facts. On one certain night, amongst others, the register showed that forty-eight different couples had been accommodated in the twenty-three rooms—and no one can say how

night. The buildings are owned by the Bogenberger brothers, who render themselves liable to the law for permitting their use for immoral purposes.

The Plaza has enjoyed a very exclusive sort of trade, being in the downtown district and yet somewhat secluded, it has been much resorted to by the well-to-do business men and swells from the well districts of the city. This has given the proprietors a feeling of power, of an influential protection that has made them rather boastful of their security.

This, and a further fact, it is alleged.

It is claimed that it was in this place that a former mayor was caught, by prearrangement of the proprietors with certain people in the police department, caught in an immoral relation and the evidence used by the head of the department and others to force him to reappoint Michael Carpenter a member of the fire and police board, in order to make secure the position of Chief Janssen. Furthermore this line of blackmail, it is claimed, helped the said mayor to make up his mind not to stand for reelection.

The proprietors of the Plaza have boasted that the chief of police would not dare to attempt to close their place. At the inquest before the coroner on Monday, the three of them swore positively that no orders had ever come from the chief to close up.

### Hotel Bed Houses

Compared to the regular house of prostitution, the hotel bed house is as much worse as black is darker than white. The houses of prostitution have its regular inmates. They serve all comers. They are, most of them, lost to all hope of redemption. The "European hotel" is different. It is just here where the girls of the working class are fed to the lust of the rich and merciless. An ordinary Saturday night's business at the Plaza calls for the shame of no less than thirty to forty girls—girls who during the business day are behind the counter, or in the offices or in the factories earning their pittance.

But the Plaza is only one place out of some forty that are also calling for their nightly quota. Some of them are great establishments alongside the Plaza. The Arlington, for instance, has no less than seventy rooms, and it does a tremendous business.

### The Arlington

The Arlington deserves a little separate attention. It is located just across from the city hall, but on a back and dark street, yet only a few blocks from the downtown cafes and other feeders. It is said that one of the city detectives protects it, hangs around a good deal, and it is even hinted that he has a small financial interest in it.

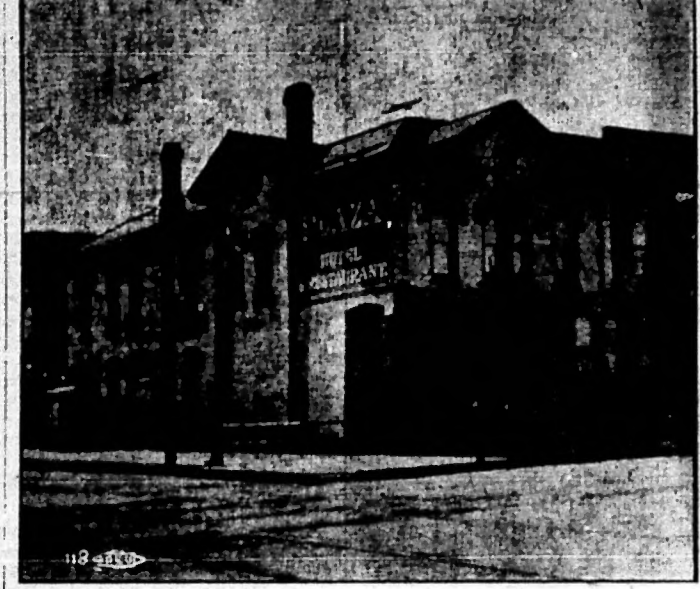
The Arlington keeps a register—as a matter of fact. But it is not particular. It welcomes all comers.

It doesn't care a rap as to how the girls are inveigled to the place, so long as it gets its money out of the traffic.

One evening, for instance, a girl was brought to the place, drugged, from a city hall square cafe. The job had been overdone. The knockout drops had done too much knocking. Once in an upper bedroom overlooking the street, the girl's condition became alarming, and those who happened to see what went on through the windows—in the excitement the shades had not been drawn—saw a sudden panic overtake the man in the case and the hotel people he called in, followed by a rush in the automobile back down the street. Shortly after the automobile rushed back with a doctor and after great effort the girl was resuscitated. Whether her ruin was subsequently accomplished is not known, but it is to be hoped that she escaped.

### Would-be Victim Escapes

On another occasion a fiend in human form had led a girl to the place and when at the entrance the victim had evidently divined the nature of the resort and sought to get away. Having gotten his prey so near the door the man grabbed her forcibly and, assisted by an attaché of the place, was about to succeed in getting her past the portals where virtue leaves



The Plaza "Ho'el," Where the Death Occurred  
The Proprietors Defy the Police to Close Them, Hinting that They Know Too Much. This place is Leased for Immoral Purposes by the Owners, John Bogenberger and Brother.

up the circumstances surrounding the case.

The "hotel" in question is conducted by W. H. Cannon, ex-gambler, Fred. Rupright and Mrs. Cannon, and brings a profit of \$4,500 a year, at least that much was admitted in a statement made by Mr. Cannon-Kassell. This is believed to be a gross understatement.

Mayor Seidel is investigating and seeking some means to close up the "hotel" hell holes.

Miss Ulrich had lived in the city several years, coming from Neenah, and was employed as stenographer in a downtown business house. Wenzel had been keeping company with her for nearly a year, and was supposed to be unmarried at her boarding place out on the west side.

The inquest by Coroner Nahin was quite thorough. Asst. Dist. Atty. Hirschburg being present throughout. Mayor Seidel also was present when Wenzel was questioned. The testimony, which brought out many interesting facts, has been turned over to the mayor and district attorney. The body was taken to Neenah for burial.

A chauffeur named Moran made the statement on Saturday to several persons that he had driven Wenzel and the girl to the Plaza on Friday night and that on the way the girl was in a hysterical condition. Called to testify at the inquest, he said that he was mistaken. That it was another pair he had driven to the resort. And he also told of another case.

### Startling Testimony

He testified that he was called to the Cricket, on Sycamore street, early in the evening, whence he took two men and two girls first to the Forst-keller on Chestnut street and then to a Blue Mound road resort kept by Mike Ward. He then came back to the city and attended the prize fight at the Public Service building. After returning he found one girl missing. They drove down the road toward Milwaukee and overtook the other girl who was crying and protesting that she had been deceived in regard to the character of the place she was taken to. During the time that search for the girl was being carried on at the road house the man who had accompanied her skipped out, and so the party returned to the city without him. On the way back the girl that was picked up was plied with drink at another resort. Finally the man and one girl were taken to the Plaza hotel, the other girl being dropped on the way. This testimony was taken on the suspicion that the girl in question was the Ulrich girl, but this was not proven.

### The Night of the Charity Ball

The important parts of the testimony show how certain "hotels" in the city are conducted, under police protection, and also that the principal characters in these affairs are men who can afford to hire automobiles; that the girls are almost invariably working girls and sometimes deceived as to the destinations of their nocturnal joy rides.

At the inquest the coroner called for the register of the Plaza, and the proprietors proudly placed it in evidence as tending to show that the resort was a "regular hotel." Mrs. Kassell said that rooms were charged for up to \$2.50 and that this was

many had to be turned away. It was the night of the Charity ball, which was held only a few steps away.

The Plaza also makes a specialty of

### The Mayor's Proclamation

Mayor Emil Seidel Thursday morning issued the following warning:

"Recent occurrences in resorts of a certain type have been brought to the attention of the administration.

"Upon investigation the administration is determined that the so-called hotels for transients and other resorts of immoral nature must cease to operate.

"The attention of patrons of these resorts is called to the statute of the state as well as the ordinances of the city, all of which prescribe severe punishment for offenses against public decency. Under these laws, single, as well as married offenders, are punishable. Officers have been stationed to keep watch, with strict orders to raid them and arrest all that might be found there.

"It is not the desire to injure any one enjoying the reputation of a good name, hence the issue of this warning.

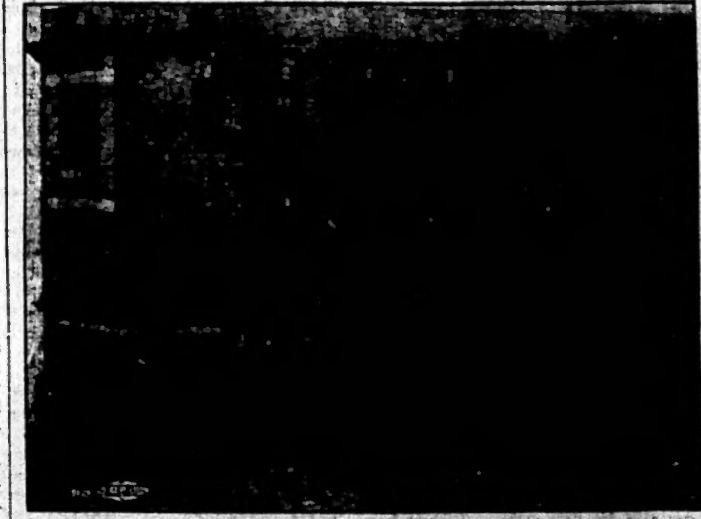
"Those disregarding have themselves to blame."

"EMIL SEIDEL,  
"Mayor."

providing girls by previous arrangement when a patron does not supply one himself. It has a list of young girls who can be called in by phone, the same as the other "hotels."

### Former Mayor Jobbed at the Plaza

The Hotel Plaza has long borne an unsavory reputation. Its Saturday night business has always been very brisk, the same as other like "hotels," couples waiting their turn to get rooms, and many being turned away on those nights for lack of accommodation. While the charge per room was ostensibly for twenty-four hours, it was generally expected that a room could be rented three times over during the evening and early hours of the



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### Park Project Passes Committee

The million dollar park proposition is now up to the council for adoption, accompanied by a favorable report of the finance committee and a minority report by Ald. A. Braun, who objects to the price to be paid for certain tracts in the strip.

Mr. Uihlein addressed the committee at length and said that, from a business standpoint the proposed deal is a bad one for the property owners interested in his company. He showed that the property can be made very profitable and that the company would be delighted to have the city drop the park proposition. However, as a citizen, he has become enthused over the proposition and can see great good for the community in the purchase of the tract by the city.

Speaking of Ald. Berger's work in getting the options for the property, Mr. Uihlein said, "He made my life miserable. If we had let Mr. Berger say what the property is worth, he would have taken it for nothing."

The price of the Uihlein property was reduced \$40,000 at a conference with Ald. Berger, shortly before the meeting Thursday and the strip on the east side of the river will be included in the purchase.

The amount involved in the purchase will be \$1,050,000 for the entire tract, to be paid in twenty annual installments with interest at 4 1/2 per cent.

also with the increase of drinking places for women. The writer of the Pearson's article has also overlooked one very important means by which store girls are let into fatal paths, that is, through other girls who dress beyond their salaries and are very willing to take the unsophisticated fellow clerk out for an evening's good time. She knows the ropes and is careful to select places that have at least a half-way look of propriety.

One of the worst places of this sort that Milwaukee ever had was the so-called padded dance hall of Ed. Lay's at Biddle and East Water streets. It was a large basement room, padded to keep the noise of revelry from reaching the street. In it regular evening dances were conducted, which were outwardly very circumspect to begin with and quite calculated to enchant a new comer who longed for the polite attentions of the opposite sex. Yet the place was in the very midst of the vilest district in the city, with invisible danger signs could they but be detected at every turn.

### A Padded Dance Room

The assignment hotels are up for attention, but it must not be thought that the regular hotels are entirely guiltless. Not one of them but what is a great danger to womankind—the kind of womankind that enlists for chambermaid service. Talk to anyone who knows, and then doubt if this is not so. All of which only adds to the conviction that must hold us that the social evil UNDER THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM is simply impossible of eradication. The best that can be done is to hold it in check as much as possible and to keep it from swamping everything in its path. The hunt of the fight must be directed to the girl traps, the places where girls injudiciously enough are led to drinking places are seduced while in a condition where the will power has been momentarily lessened.

Some years ago there was a new note struck in city cleaning. Therefore it had been given out in police interviews and newspaper editorials that the great evil in this line was the stall saloon. Nothing was said about the assignment hotels, that were growing up all over the city back of the stall saloon. It seemed as if a good deal of the stall saloon talk was for the purpose of shielding from view the greater evil that existed in the background. After no little effort the existence of the shady hotel as a big

### Prostitution Inevitable Under Capitalism, But It Must Be Kept Outlaw

Prostitution is the inevitable result of our present economic system which forces helpless women to earn their living in the factories, shops and offices. Here they are taken advantage of and offered wages too light for their support.

The increase of female labor is everywhere accompanied by an increase of prostitution.

The capitalist system puts a premium upon vice and a ban on virtue.

Socialism will remove the cause of prostitution—the degradation and poverty wrought by the wage and profit system.—Rev. C. H. Vail, in "Principles of Scientific Socialism."

Modern industrial conditions make marriage a great risk for our young people. They fear disaster if they try to set up homes of their own. This cannot but result in added immorality.

Immorality in our cities has been commercialized and thus additionally fortified. The number of men who grow rich in business in various ways related to the demoralization of women is large.

At best, in modern society, prostitution can only be kept in check and made as little dangerous to the unsuspecting as possible.

young girls can be drawn into such a place in Milwaukee," he has said on more than one occasion.

### A Magazine Exposure

Pearson's Magazine this month has an article dealing with the usually covered-up subject of the betrayal of working girls. However, it may create a distorted impression that the department stores are to blame for all the betrayals. This is not the case. It would be truer to say that the staggering increase in downtown immorality and the development of the bed house hotel and established assignment house had grown in measure proportional with the entrance of young girls into industry, into department store and other clerkships, into factory work, office employment and

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